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**BY MESSENGER**

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Re: **GMO Site, 341 East Ohio Street, Chicago, Illinois**

Dear Ms. Fulghum:

Enclosed are copies of the following documents relating to the findings of pesticides in the vicinity of the northwest corner of the former building at 330 East Grand Avenue at the GMO Site:

1. Letter dated October 19, 2001 from STS Consultants, Ltd. ("STS") supplementing its letter report dated October 8, 2001; and
2. Proposal letter dated October 19, 2001 from STS describing a proposed additional subsurface investigation.

Pursuant to the letter enclosed as item no. 1, STS provides additional information relating to the location of the two underground storage tanks ("USTs") near the northwest corner of the former 330 East Grand building, which supplements the information about the USTs contained in its October 8, 2001 letter report. Pursuant to the proposal letter enclosed as item no. 2, STS describes an additional subsurface investigation for the delineation of pesticides over applicable regulatory limits. We would appreciate receiving from you or other representatives of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("USEPA") any comments on the enclosed documents.

Pursuant to your letter dated July 13, 2000 to J.T. Smith and to me, you requested that (i) our client Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois ("TRS") provide prior notice to USEPA of any activity which might disturb the surface of the GMO Site and (ii) that any such work by TRS proceed in accordance with a USEPA-approved

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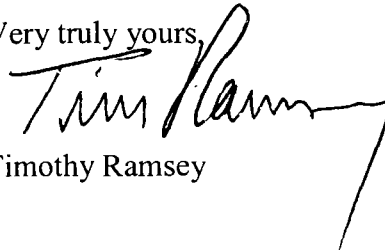


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health and safety plan. Please consider this letter a notice of the commencement of the investigation described in the enclosed STS proposal letter. We assume that the requirement of the health and safety plan has been satisfied based on the Health and Safety Plan which is included in the Removal Action Work Plan dated May 1, 2001, as amended.

Very truly yours,



Timothy Ramsey

JTR/tr

Enclosures

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